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Dear City of Kankakee Resident,

As you may recall, City of Kankakee voters approved a program called municipal electric aggregation via referendum in April last year. Through aggregation, cities bring together residents to gain group-buying power for the purchase of electricity from an alternative retail electric supplier certified by the Illinois Commerce Commission. The City is now providing you with the opportunity to participate in its aggregation program. *This requires no action on your part.* After a competitive Request for Proposal process, the City chose Verde Energy USA to supply Kankakee's 2013 aggregation program.

While electricity prices have risen over the past year, the City was able to lock in a fixed rate of \$0.056070/kWh through August 2014 for residents and small commercial consumers. This rate is lower than ComEd's current Price to Compare (PTC) electric generation rate which is over \$0.06/kWh.*

The City of Kankakee electric savings program will operate in a seamless manner along the following guidelines:

1. If you would like to participate in the program and take advantage of these savings, **no action is required on your part.**
 - Verde's lower generation rate will take effect within your next 1-2 billing cycles, depending on your meter read date.
 - ComEd will continue to fully service your account and send you one monthly bill. Verde's lower generation charge will be posted on your bill and you will continue to pay ComEd for your total monthly bill amount.
 - There will be no change in ComEd servicing, and you will continue to contact ComEd directly for any power outage, repair or billing issues.
 - ComEd will send you a letter confirming Verde Energy USA as your electric generation provider. As required by law, this letter will inform you of your right to rescind your enrollment prior to the scheduled switch to Verde's lower rate. You do not need to take any action when the letter arrives to remain in the program with Verde.
2. If you do not want to participate in the program and would rather continue to pay the higher ComEd generation rate, you need to complete and return the attached form by June 25, 2013.

For more information on the aggregation go to www.ilmunipower.com/Kankakee or call Verde Energy USA at 800-241-0295.

We are also pleased to announce that Verde is providing all City of Kankakee aggregation members unlimited access to Verde Energy Savings Solutions (ESS) tools. The ESS tools can be accessed at the aggregation website by clicking on the ESS tab at the top of the site. These tools will allow all City customers to monitor and analyze their monthly energy usage, access information on how they can reduce their energy consumption, and purchase energy savings products at a 20% discount. The ESS suite of tools provided by Verde is unique in the industry and we encourage you to take advantage of it.

We are excited to partner with Verde Energy USA to offer our residents and small businesses savings on their monthly electric bill and valuable tools to improve energy efficiency. Although the City of Kankakee is offering this program, we ask that you direct all your aggregation program questions to the supplier that we selected.

Regards,

CITY OF KANKAKEE

* Based on published ComEd PTC including Purchased Electricity Adjustment (PEA).



City of Kankakee Opt-Out Notification Form

Only complete and return this form if you do **NOT** want to take advantage of the monthly electric bill savings available to you through the City of Kankakee municipal aggregation program. If you do not want to participate in the program you will continue to pay the higher ComEd generation rate. This form must be mailed to the address below by June 25, 2013.

ComEd Account Number (10 digits, top of bill page 1): _____

First and Last Name of Customer: _____

Home or Service Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Mail form to the following address by June 25, 2013:

Opt Out Notification
Verde Energy USA
101 Merritt Seven 2nd Floor
Norwalk, CT 06851

FAQs for the City of Kankakee Municipal Aggregation Program

Where can I find the Environmental Disclosure Statement & Uniform Disclosure Statement for Verde Energy USA?

For these statements and information about the aggregation program go to www.ilmunipower.com/Kankakee.

When will I begin to see Verde Energy USA's lower generation rate on my bill?

Verde's lower rate will take effect within your next 1-2 billing cycles depending on your meter read date.

Will I continue to get one monthly bill from ComEd?

Yes, you will be billed exactly as you always have been by ComEd and will receive one monthly bill for all charges. The only difference you'll see on your electric bill is that Verde Energy USA will be listed on the generation portion of your bill and the lower cost electric generation rate will be used in your billing.

Will ComEd continue to service my account?

Yes, nothing will change in terms of receiving your electricity or any customer service. ComEd will continue to read your meter, service your account and send you one bill each month. You will continue to contact ComEd for any billing or service questions or if your power ever goes out.

Who is Verde Energy USA?

Verde Energy USA is a licensed electricity supplier in the states of Connecticut, Ohio, Illinois, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania. We offer residential and business customers in these states the opportunity to save on their electrical costs by choosing us as their electricity supplier.

How do I contact Verde Energy USA if I have a question?

As noted previously ComEd will continue to fully service your account. If you should ever need to contact Verde you can email us at service@lowcostpower.com or call us at 800-241-0295. Our customer service group is available 7 days a week and 24 hours each day.

Verde Energy USA Illinois, LLC.

Kankakee Municipal Aggregation Terms of Service

This Agreement authorizes Verde Energy USA Illinois, LLC ("Verde") to change my ("Customer") electric supplier in the territory of ComEd ("ComEd").

1. **Price:** Customer will receive electricity from Verde at a fixed rate of \$0.05607/KWH through Customer's meter read date in August 2014. This rate includes transmission charges but excludes applicable state and local sales taxes as well as any new taxes imposed. The transmission charges are the basic service charges for the cost of transporting electricity over high voltage wires from the generator to the distribution system of an electric distribution company. The generation charge is basic service charge for generation supply to retail customers and excludes charges for transmission or other charges related to electric service. In addition, Customer shall pay and be responsible for all other amounts related to the purchase and delivery of electricity, including applicable taxes and charges.
2. **Term:** This Agreement will start when Verde provides confirmation to Customer's local distribution company and it initiates the change. Customer will be responsible for the cancellation of any existing supplier agreement. The Illinois Commerce Commission regulates distribution prices and services. The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission regulates transmission prices and services.
3. **Cancellation:** Customer may cancel this Agreement at any time and for any reason. The cancellation will become effective when Customer's new supplier or ComEd completes the change. Cancellation will not relieve Customer of any payment obligations for electricity provided to Customer by Verde prior to cancellation.
4. **Billing:** Customer will continue to receive one monthly electric bill processed and provided by ComEd. Payment is due to ComEd in accordance with their standard billing practices. In the event of a Customer bankruptcy, late payment or nonpayment, Verde has the right to cancel this Agreement.
5. **Contact Information:** For any service question or in the event of an emergency such as a power failure or downed power line, Customer should contact ComEd at 800-334-7661. Customer may contact Verde at 800-241-0295. Customer may also contact the Illinois Commerce Commission at 800-524-0795 or visit the Office of Retail Market Development web site at www.pluginillinois.org. Customer shall contact Verde with any change in Customer's email address and/or withdrawal of consent for electronic retention of customer information.
6. **Customer Relocation:** If Customer moves to a new address within the City, Customer is encouraged to notify Verde of the relocation and request that Verde commence services under the City's aggregation program.
7. **Changes to Contract:** Verde may change these terms in connection with any renewal of the Agreement, or if there are adverse changes in the laws, rules or market conditions affecting Verde's ability to perform hereunder, subject to the terms and conditions of Verde's master power supply agreement with the City.
8. **Assignment:** Customer may not assign this Agreement without Verde's written consent. Verde may transfer, assign or sell this Agreement: (a) in connection with any financing; (b) to any of its affiliates; or (c) to anyone succeeding to all or substantially all of Verde's assets or business. This Agreement is binding upon Customer and Verde, and each party's heirs, successors and permitted assigns. Any required assignment notice will be considered to have been made if mailed to the address in Verde's records for Customer's account. There are no third-party beneficiaries to this Agreement.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGREEMENT: This Agreement is hereby unconditionally accepted. Verde Energy USA Illinois, LLC is authorized to switch my utility supplier for the generation service charge. I will notify and/or cancel any previous agreement I may have in place with any other supplier, if applicable.